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| First Named Inventor | : | Robert M. Byrne  |
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| Title                | : | ANTI-SLIP STEP FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE AND A<br>METHOD OF FORMING THE SAME |
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| Examiner             | : | Raymond W. Addie   |
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Mail Stop Amendment  
Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of November 17, 2004 (Paper No. 20041113), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 9 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.